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Federal disaster assistance is intended to supplement the efforts and available resources of States, local governments, and disaster relief organizations. Although the primary responsibility for disaster relief rests with State and local agencies, there are many Federal programs of disaster assistance available to supplement State and local efforts. This digest is designed to serve as an initial source of information for private citizens and public officials in need of a particular kind of disaster assistance. It includes both programs which require a Presidential declaration of a major disaster and those which do not. In addition, programs in preparedness which may serve to lessen the effects of a natural disaster are included.

The greatest single source of Federal disaster assistance is provided under the authorities of the Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, which is implemented by the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (FDAA) following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster. FDAA administers grants to the States from the President's Disaster Relief Fund and directs and coordinates the disaster assistance functions of all Federal agencies, whether under Public Law 93-288 or their own authorities.

The President may also make a determination that an "emergency" exists, requiring assistance to supplement State and local efforts to save lives and protect property, public health and safety, or to avert or lessen the threat of a disaster. The purpose of such a determination is to make available emergency assistance which, because of the pressures of time or because of the unique capabilities of a Federal agency, can be more readily provided by the Federal government. It is specialized assistance to meet specific needs.

Certain Federal departments and agencies have programs under their own authorities which allow them to provide assistance even though damage from a natural disaster is not sufficient to justify a Presidential declaration. These programs are included in this digest.

Additional copies of this digest are available at FDAA's Washington headquarters or the FDAA Regional Office serving your State. Inquiries about specific programs should be directed to the agency listed as the "Information Source" for each program.

Definition of a Major Disaster

A "major disaster" means any hurricane, tornado, storm, flood, high water, wind-driven water, tidal wave, tsunami, earthquake, volcanic eruption, landslide, mudslide, snowstorm, drought, fire, explosion or other catastrophe in any part of the United States which, in the determination of the President, causes damage of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant major disaster assistance by the Federal Government to supplement the efforts and resources of States, local governments, and relief organizations.

Definition of an Emergency

An "emergency" means any hurricane, tornado, storm, flood, high water, wind-driven water, tidal wave, tsunami, earthquake, volcanic eruption, landslide, mudslide, snowstorm, drought, fire, explosion, or other catastrophe in any part of the United States which requires Federal emergency assistance to supplement State and local efforts to save lives and protect property, public health and safety or to avert or lessen the threat of a disaster.

When Disaster Strikes

-- Local authorities and individuals request help from...
-- Private relief organizations and their State government, which give all assistance possible. If beyond their capability...
-- the Governor requests a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or an emergency through...
-- the FDAA Regional Office to...
-- the FDAA Administrator who, on the basis of regional damage surveys and reports, evaluates the request and makes a recommendation to...
-- the Secretary of HUD who recommends action to and by
-- The President - who makes the final determination. If warranted, the President declares a "major disaster" or an "emergency", informs the Governor, and publicly announces the declaration. The Administrator of FDAA then designates the counties eligible for Federal disaster assistance, authorizes the obligation of funds, and directs and coordinates Federal relief efforts.

In a disaster which has resulted in considerable damage, but which is not of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant a major disaster declaration or an emergency determination, State and local governments may request assistance from the Regional Director of FDAA in determining what Federal aid might be available. The FDAA Regional Directors monitor all disasters which occur in the States and Territories within their respective regions and, at the request of the State or local government, can advise which Federal agencies have disaster relief programs under their regular statutory authorities which could be of assistance.

CHAPTER I: AGRICULTURE

CROP INSURANCE

Purpose of Assistance	To provide all-risk insurance for individual farmers to ensure a basic income against droughts, freezes, insects, and other natural causes of disastrous crop losses.
Provided by	Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, U.S. Department of Agriculture
Assistance Available	Insurance in areas classified as eligible for such assistance to compensate for disastrous crop losses.
Eligible Applicants	Any owner or operator of farmland,who has an insurable interest in a crop in a county where insurance is offered on that crop, is eligible unless the land is not classified for insurance purposes.
Application Procedure	File application with the Federal Crop Insurance Corporation representative.
Information Source	Federal Crop Insurance Corporation District Office or any of the fourteen sales and contract services centers or Manager Federal Crop Insurance Corporation U.S. Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Federal Crop Insurance Act, as amended; Title V of the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938.

CROP LOSS DISASTER PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance	To assist farmers when they are prevented from planting any portion of the farm acreage allotment or suffer substantial loss on planted acres of eligible crops because of drought, flood, or other natural disaster or condition beyond the control of the producer.
Provided by	Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture
Assistance Available	Payment for the deficiency in production below 100 percent of normal allotment production at 1/3 of target price for commodity if planting is prevented or production is less than 2/3 of the allotment normal.
Eligible Applicants	Owners of farms having wheat, feed grain and/or cotton allotments on which production is affected by a natural disaster or condition beyond the control of the producer.
Application Procedure	Contact the local Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Office.
Information Source	County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Office or Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	U.S. Department of Agriculture, PL 93-86, Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973, 84 Stat. 1358. 7 U.S.C. 1305

DISEASE AND PEST CONTROL FOR PLANTS AND ANIMALS

Purpose of Assistance	To protect against economically injurious plant and animal diseases and pests.
Provided by	U.S. Department of Agriculture
Assistance Available	Technical information and specialized services
Eligible Applicants	State and local agencies and groups
Application Procedure	Submit a letter to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service indicating the nature and severity of the problem to be considered.
Information Source	Administrator Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Federal Plant Pest Act, as amended, Public Law 85-36; Plant Quarantine Act, as amended, Public Law 62-275; Virus-Serum Toxin Act, Public Law 62-430; USDA Organic Act 1956, as amended, Public Law 84-979; Animal Welfare Act of 1970, Public Law 91-579; Horse Protection Act of 1970, Public Law 91-540; Animal Quarantine Act, as amended; Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, as amended (7 USC 1622, 1624); Talmadge - Aiken Act (1972).

EMERGENCY CONSERVATION MEASURES PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance	To share the costs of approved emergency conservation measures with farmers and ranchers who perform such measures to control wind erosion on farmlands, or to rehabilitate farmlands damaged by wind erosion, floods, hurricane, or other natural disasters.
Provided by	The Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture following a disaster designation by the Secretary of Agriculture.
Assistance Available	Cost-sharing up to 80 percent of the cost of performing emergency conservation measures.
Eligible Applicants	Any owner, landlord, tenant, or sharecropper on a farm or ranch who bears a part of the cost of the approved conservation practice.
Application Procedure	A request for assistance may be made at the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Office serving the county in which the land is located.
Information Source	County or State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Office. or Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Public Law 85-58 (Third Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1957). The Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, 88 Stat. 143, Section 302.

EMERGENCY LIVESTOCK FEED PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance	To provide assistance to eligible livestock owners or needy Indian tribes in designated emergency areas through sales of feed grain at beneficial prices to provide feed for eligible livestock. The program is intended to preserve and maintain, and prevent widespread liquidation or undue severe culling of livestock because of flood, drought, hurricane, tornado, earthquake, disease, insect infestation, or other catastrophe.
Provided by	The Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture following an emergency designation by the Secretary of Agriculture.
Assistance Available	Sale of government-owned feed grains at beneficial prices.
Eligible Applicants	Livestock owners requiring emergency livestock feed. Members of designated Indian tribes who are without sufficient means to purchase feed after allowance for necessary living expenses. Eligibility is determined by the Secretary of Agriculture.
Application Procedure	Applications may be filed at the county Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Office. Indians make formal application for assistance to authorized personnel at designated offices of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.
Information Source	County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Office or Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250 or Bureau of Indian Affairs Department of the Interior Washington, D.C. 20242

Authorization	Agricultural Act of 1949, sections 407, 421, and clauses 1 and 2 of section 407, as amended; Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act, as amended; Executive Order 11336; Public Law 86-299.

EMERGENCY LOANS

Purpose of Assistance	To assist farmers, ranchers and oyster planters to recover from losses resulting from designated disasters so that they may continue farming or livestock operations with credit from other sources, including FmHA Farm Operating and Farm Ownership Loans.
Provided by	Farmers Home Administration of the U.S. Department of Agriculture in counties (1) named by the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration as eligible for Federal Assistance under a Presidential declaration of a major disaster and (2) designated as emergency loan areas by the Secretary of Agriculture and (3) authorized by the FmHA State Director where he finds that not more than 25 farmers or ranchers in a county have been affected by the disaster.
Assistance Available	Insured or guaranteed loans to (a) replace equipment and livestock damaged or destroyed by natural disasters, (b) make real estate repairs made necessary by natural disasters, and (c) under certain conditions refinance secured and unsecured debts made necessary by the disasters. These loans are not made to finance new farming, ranching, or oyster planting operations. Instead, the loan is made to cover expenses that went into damaged or destroyed farm enterprises. The total amount of loan for all purposes must not exceed the dollar losses sustained, be within the applicant's repayment ability, and must meet FmHA security requirements. For losses of a physical nature, emergency loans will be based on the cost of repairing, replacing, and restoring damaged farm property, including essential home furnishings and personal possessions. Applicants may be reimbursed for expenses already incurred for such purposes. Loans that are based on qualifying production losses may include funds to reimburse applicants for production expenses which went into their damaged or destroyed crop and livestock enterprises. In all cases, applicants will be required to furnish itemized statements of expenditures for which they are requesting reimbursement.

Eligible Applicants	Be (a) an established farmer or rancher, (either tenant or owner-operator), (b) citizen of United States, (c) have sustained crop losses or property damage caused by a natural disaster, not compensated for by insurance or otherwise, (d) have good character with necessary ability to succeed, and (e) manage own farming or ranching operations. Applicants must meet all of these requirements in order to be eligible.
Application Procedure	Farmers Home Administration county office personnel assist applicants in completing the necessary forms provided by FmHA. Applicants apply at the FmHA county office serving the county where the farming operation is located.
Information Source	Consult local telephone directory for FmHA county office number. If no listing, get in touch with appropriate FmHA Staff Office, or Administrator, Farmers Home Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.
Authorization	Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act, Subtitle C, Sections 321-328; Public Law 92-419; (7 U.S.C. 1961 through 1968); and amended by Public Law 93-237.

FOREST MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION

Purpose of Assistance	To provide assistance to the States in developing, managing, and utilizing certain public and privately owned forest resources, so they will contribute their maximum to the economy, natural beauty, and resource wealth of the Nation.
Provided by	Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, in cooperation with State Forestry Agencies.
Assistance Available	On-the-ground assistance is provided by State personnel to woodland owners, loggers, wood-using industries, communities, and organizations. Training and expert backstopping is provided by Federal specialists. Assistance is limited to private landowners and certain public lands. Nature of assistance includes woodland inventories, preparation of management plans, marking of timber and technical assistance in logging, marketing, and processing of timber and reforestation.
Eligible Applicants	State Forestry agencies, certain public agencies, and wood-using industries and loggers.
Application Procedure	Beneficiaries of the program should contact their Forester or local Forest Service Office.
Information Source	Regional Forester or Area Director or Deputy Chief State and Private Forestry Forest Service U.S. Department of Agriculture South Building, 12th and Independence Avenue, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Public Law 81-729 of August 25, 1950 as amended; Public Law 92-288 of May 5, 1972 (16 USC 568c, 568d); Agricultural Organic Act of May 15, 1862 (Rev. Stat. 520).

GENERAL INFORMATION ON AGRICULTURAL ASSISTANCE

Purpose of Assistance	To provide advice and assistance in the aftermath of a natural disaster for cleaning up damaged property, sanitary measures, water supply and sewage disposal, insect infestation, feed and water for livestock, substitute planting for damaged crops, and grain storage.
Provided by	U.S. Department of Agriculture
Assistance Available	Advice and technical assistance
Eligible Applicants	Any individual affected by a natural disaster
Application Procedure	Contact County Agricultural Agent or Director of Extension Service at the State land-grant university.
Information Source	County Agricultural Agent or Extension Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Smith-Lever Act as amended, Agriculture Marketing Act of 1946, District of Columbia Public Education Act of 1968, and other authorities of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND TELEPHONE LOAN ADJUSTMENTS

Purpose of Assistance	To assist borrowers who have suffered impairment of the economic feasibility of their systems, or the loss, destruction, or damage of property as a result of a major disaster.
Provided by	Department of Agriculture, Rural Electrification Administration.
Assistance Available	Adjustment of scheduled principal and interest payments and extension of maturity dates on existing loans.
Eligible Applicants	Existing REA borrowers.
Application Procedure	Application is submitted to the Rural Electrification Administration.
Information Source	Administrator Rural Electrification Administration U.S. Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Rural Electrification Act of 1936, as amended (7 U.S.C. 901-950(b)); and Section 236 (a) of the Disaster Relief Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-606, 84 Stat. 1754).

TIMBER REMOVAL

Purpose of Assistance	To remove damaged timber from privately owned lands when it is in the public interest, including threats to life and property and possible flood hazards.
Provided by	Federal Disaster Assistance Administration following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Grants from the Federal Government to State and local governments for the purpose of removing damaged timber from privately owned lands. The State or local government is authorized to reimburse any person for expenses incurred in removing damaged timber; however, the reimbursement is not to exceed the amount that such expenses exceed the salvage value of the timber.
Eligible Applicants	Any State or local government.
Application Procedure	Application should be submitted through the Governor's Authorized Representative to the Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	Regional Offices of Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, Section 418, (d); Executive Order 11795.

TIMBER SALES CONTRACTS

Purpose of Assistance	To provide relief in situations where major physical changes resulting from a major disaster have caused an increase in construction costs on a project for which a timber sale contract exists between the Secretary of Agriculture or Secretary of the Interior and a timber purchaser.
Provided by	U.S. Department of the Interior or Department of Agriculture following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	The Federal Government will bear the cost of additional construction work resulting from a major disaster with an estimated cost, as determined by the appropriate Secretary, of (1) more than $1000 for sales under one million board feet, (2) more than $1 per thousand board feet for sales of one to three million board feet, or (3) more than $3000 for sales over three million board feet. If the damage is so great as to make restoration, reconstruction or construction impractical, the appropriate Secretary may cancel the contract notwithstanding contrary provisions therein.
Eligible Applicants	Timber purchasers under contract with the Departments of Agriculture or the Interior.
Application Procedure	Submit request to the appropriate Departmental Secretary.
Information Source	Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250 or Department of the Interior Washington, D.C. 20240 or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, Section 418 (a), (b); Executive Order 11795.

CHAPTER II: BUSINESS

AID TO MAJOR SOURCES OF EMPLOYMENT

Purpose of Assistance	To enable major sources of employment to resume operations in order to assist in restoring the economic viability of a disaster area.
Provided by	The Small Business Administration and the Farmers Home Administration (Department of Agriculture) with a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Long-term loans from the Small Business Administration in the case of a nonagricultural enterprise and the Farmers Home Administration in the case of an agricultural enterprise. Interest rates are determined by the Secretary of the Treasury not to be in excess of 6% per year.
Eligible Applicants	Any industrial, commercial, agricultural, or other enterprise which has constituted a major source of employment in an area suffering a major disaster and which is no longer in substantial operation as a result of such a disaster.
Application Procedure	Application is made to the Small Business Administration or the Farmers Home Administration.
Information Source	Local or Regional offices of the Small Business Administration and the Farmers Home Administration or Office of Disaster Operations Small Business Administration 1441 L Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20416 or Administrator Farmers Home Administration U.S. Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1970, Public Law 91-606, as amended, Sections 237 and 234; Executive Order 11795.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT LOANS

Purpose of Assistance	To assist public, private or cooperative organizations organized for profit or nonprofit, Indian tribes, individuals in rural areas or cities up to 50,000 population, for the purpose of improving the economic and environmental climate in rural communities including pollution abatement and control.
Provided by	The Farmers Home Administration of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.
Assistance Available	Loans or loan guarantees.
Eligible Applicants	Public, private or cooperative organizations organized for profit or nonprofit, and Indian tribes or individuals located in rural areas.
Application Procedure	Request for assistance may be made at the local Farmers Home Administration County Office.
Information Source	County or State Farmers Home Administration Office or Farmers Home Administration Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Rural Development Act of 1972, Section 310 B, Public Law 92-419; 7 U.S.C. 1989.

BUSINESS REPAIR LOANS

Purpose of Assistance	To provide loan assistance for the refinancing,repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of property damaged as a result of a natural disaster.
Provided by	The Small Business Administration, either with a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or a declaration by the Administrator of SBA.
Assistance Available	Guaranteed immediate participation or direct loans to repair or replace damaged or destroyed realty, machinery, and equipment not covered by insurance, or in some instances to refinance any mortgage or other lien on destroyed or damaged real property if it is to be repaired or replaced.
Eligible Applicants	Business concerns, churches, private schools, private colleges and universities, and private non-profit hospitals which have suffered physical property loss in an area designated as eligible for disaster assistance. Loans under this program are not available to those engaged in agriculture. (For loans to farmers and ranchers, see Agriculture - Emergency Loans).
Application Procedure	Application is filed with the nearest available regular SBA Office or special disaster office.
Information Source	Local or Regional Office of Small Business Administration or Office of Disaster Operations Small Business Administration 1441 L Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20416
Authorization	Small Business Act, as amended, Section 7 (b) (1), Public Law 85-536, as amended; Disaster Relief Act of 1970, Public Law 91-606, as amended, Sections 231, 234, and 235; Public Law 93-24.

ECONOMIC INJURY LOANS

Purpose of Assistance	To assist small business and agri-business concerns suffering economic injury as a result of a disaster.
Provided by	The Small Business Administration with a Presidential declaration of a major disaster, a declaration by the SBA Administrator, or a natural disaster declaration by the Secretary of Agriculture.
Assistance Available	Guarantee immediate participation of direct loans to any one small concern or group of affiliated concerns to pay current liabilities which could have been paid if the disaster had not occurred. Working capital can be provided to continue the business in operations until conditions return to normal. No funds are available for realty, equipment repair, or acquisition.
Eligible Applicants	Must be a small business concern as described in SBA rules and regulations and must furnish evidence of the extent of economic injury claimed.
Application Procedure	Application is filed with the nearest SBA field office.
Information Source	Local or Regional Office of Small Business Administration or Office of Disaster Operations Small Business Administration 1441 L Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20416
Autorization	Small Business Act, as amended, section 7 (b) (2); Public Law 85-536, as amended; Disaster Relief Act of 1970, Public Law 91-606, as amended, Sections 231, 234, and 235; Public Law 93-24.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Purpose of Assistance	To facilitate the development of private business enterprises in rural areas or in cities up to 50,000 population.
Provided by	The Farmers Home Administration of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.
Assistance Available	Grants
Eligible Applicants	Public bodies serving rural areas, such as States, counties, cities, townships, and incorporated towns and villages, boroughs, authorities, districts and Indian tribes on Federal and State reservations which will serve rural areas.
Application Procedure	Request for assistance may be made at the local Farmers Home Administration County Office
Information Source	County or State Farmers Home Administration Office or Farmers Home Administration U.S. Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Rural Development Act of 1972, Section 310 B, Public Law 92-419; 7 U.S.C. 1989.

PRODUCT LOSS LOANS

Purpose of Assistance	To assist small business concerns which have suffered economic injury as a result of inability to market a product for human consumption because of a finding of toxicity resulting from natural or undetermined causes or animal disease.
Provided by	The Small Business Administration with a declaration by the SBA Administrator.
Assistance Available	Guarantee immediate participation or direct loans which can be used to pay current liabilities the small concern could otherwise have paid if the disaster had not occurred, to provide working capital, and, to a limited extent, to acquire equipment or facilities necessary to meet health or sanitary requirements to make a marketable product.
Eligible Applicants	Businesses, including raisers of livestock, which have produced, distributed, or sold a product in which there was a finding of toxicity from natural or unknown causes, or animal disease.
Application Procedure	Application is filed with the nearest SBA Field office.
Information Source	Local SBA offices or Office of Disaster Operations Small Business Administration 1441 L Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20416
Authorization	Small Business Act as amended Section 7 (b) (4); Public Law 85-536; Disaster Relief Act of 1970; Public Law 91-606, as amended, Sections 231, 234 and 235; Executive Order 11749, Public Law 93-24.

CHAPTER III: EMERGENCY SERVICES

COMMUNICATIONS

Purpose of Assistance	To provide temporary communication facilities in disaster areas where such facilities have been severely disrupted.
Provided by	Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (FDAA) in anticipation of or following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or an emergency.
Assistance Available	Temporary communications facilities provided in order to carry out the functions of Federal Disaster Assistance Administration. Such facilities may also be made available to State and local government officials and other persons as deemed appropriate by the Administrator of FDAA.
Eligible Applicants	Federal, State, and local government officials and other persons as deemed appropriate.
Application Procedure	Applications should be submitted through the Governor's Authorized Representative to the Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	Regional Offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, 88 Stat. 143, Sec. 415; Executive Order 11795.

DEBRIS REMOVAL

Purpose of Assistance	To remove debris and wreckage resulting from a major disaster from publicly and privately owned lands and waters when determined to be in the public interest.
Provided by	Appropriate Federal agencies as requested by the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Use of Federal agencies or grants to State or local governments for the removal of debris and wreckage.
Eligible Applicants	State and local governments and individuals whose property is located in a major disaster area.
Application Procedure	Applications should be submitted through the Governor's Authorized Representative to the Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	Regional Offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses). or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	The Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, Section 403; Executive Order 11795.

FLOOD FIGHTING AND RESCUE OPERATIONS

Purpose of Assistance	To provide emergency assistance as required to supplement local efforts and capabilities in time of flood or coastal storm.
Provided by	United States Army Corps of Engineers
Assistance Available	Specialized emergency assistance in all phases of flood fighting and rescue operations, which may be provided as a supplement to State and local efforts when such resources are being used to their maximum extent. Assistance does not include removal of temporary flood control works constructed, or reimbursement of individuals or communities for funds expended in flood fighting efforts.
Eligible Applicants	Any State or local public agency.
Application Procedure	Oral or written request by responsible State or local agency to the Corps of Engineers.
Information Source	District or Division Engineer for the area in which the flooding occurs or Director of Civil Works Office of the Chief of Engineers Department of the Army Washington, D.C. 20314
Authorization	Public Law 84-99, as amended.

Purpose of Assistance	To provide food, water, and mass feeding and shelter services in time of natural disaster.
Provided by	Appropriate Federal agencies as requested by the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or an emergency.
Assistance Available	Specialists to assist and advise local governments in (1) surveying the availability of local food and supplies; (2) supervising the storage, transportation, and distribution of consumer goods and commodities; (3) sheltering operations; (4) providing potable water for emergency drinking and cooking purposes.
Eligible Applicants	Responsible local and State agencies.
Application Procedure	Requests should be made through the Governor's Authorized Representative to the Regional Director of FDAA.
Information Source	Regional Office of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, 88 Stat. 142, Section 305, 306; Executive Order 11795.

PROTECTION, EVACUATION, SEARCH AND RESCUE

Purpose of Assistance	To protect life and property, and to carry out evacuation and search and rescue operations.
Provided by	Appropriate Federal agencies as requested by the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or emergency.
Assistance Available	Maintenance of law and order, medical evacuation, refugee evacuation, aerial and mobile search and rescue.
Eligible Applicants	Responsible State and local agencies.
Application Procedure	Requests should be made through the Governor's Authorized Representative to the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	Regional Offices of the FDAA (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, 88 Stat. 143, Section 305, 306; Executive Order 11795.

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Purpose of Assistance	To provide temporary public transportation services to meet emergency needs when such services have been severely disrupted because of a major disaster.
Provided by	Federal Disaster Assistance Administration following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Transportation to governmental offices, supply centers, stores, post offices, schools, major employment centers, and such other places as may be necessary.
Eligible Applicants	States and localities within a designated major disaster area.
Application Procedure	Applications should be submitted through the Governor's Authorized Representative to the Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	Regional Offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, Section 416; Executive Order 11795.

VICTIM IDENTIFICATION

Purpose of Assistance	To serve the U.S. Government and authorized law enforcement agencies in the identification of victims of major disasters.
Provided by	Federal Bureau of Investigation
Assistance Available	Fingerprint identification
Eligible Applicants	Any authorized law enforcement agency, Federal and other governmental agency or officials.
Application Procedure	Submit request to the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation.
Information Source	Federal Bureau of Investigation Field Offices or Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Department of Justice Washington, D.C. 20535
Authorization	Act of September 6, 1966; Public Law 89-554; Public Law 92-544, Title II.

WATER SUPPLY EQUIPMENT

Purpose of Assistance	To assist States and communities in overcoming severe water shortages in natural disaster emergencies.
Provided by	Defense Civil Preparedness Agency
Assistance Available	Loan of electric generators, pipes, pumps, purifiers, storage tanks, and associated equipment to pump water to local reservoirs in areas of severe water shortage and to remove water from buildings flooded as a result of tornadoes, floods, and hurricanes.
Eligible Applicants	States and, through the States, their local governments.
Application Procedure	Application is made by local governments through the State civil defense agency to the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency.
Information Source	State Civil Defense offices or Regional Offices of the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency or Assistant Director, Plans and Operations Defense Civil Preparedness Agency Washington, D.C. 20301
Authorization	Section 201, Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended, Public Law 81-920.

CHAPTER IV: FIRE SUPPRESSION

FIRE SUPPRESSION ASSISTANCE

Purpose of Assistance	To provide assistance for the suppression of any fire on publicly or privately owned forest or grassland which threatens to become a major disaster.
Provided by	Federal Disaster Assistance Administration and other Federal agencies following a determination by the FDAA Administrator.
Assistance Available	Grants and other assistance required for the suppression of fires in accordance with a Federal-State Agreement for fire suppression.
Eligible Applicants	Any State
Application Procedure	The Governor of a State (or his authorized representative) must submit a request for Federal assistance under Section 417, P.L. 93-288, through the FDAA Regional Director, supporting the request with factual information regarding resources committed, the nature of the threat, and the need for Federal assistance.
Information Source	Regional Offices of Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, 88 Stat. 143, Section 417; Executive Order 11795.

FIRE SUPPRESSION AND EMERGENCY REHABILITATION OF INDIAN LANDS

Purpose of Assistance	To provide effective means for the suppression of wildfires in or threatening Indian forest and rangelands and the rehabilitation of burned over lands, as needed.
Provided by	Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Interior.
Assistance Available	Advisory and specialized services and technical information to be used in the prevention and suppression of wildfires and emergency rehabilitation of burned over areas of Indian forest and rangelands. When rehabiliation is needed, treatment may include planting, seeding, erosion control, rodent control, and fencing.
Eligible Applicants	Indian tribes and individual Indians under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.
Application Procedure	Contact the closest Bureau of Indian Affairs Field Office.
Information Source	Bureau of Indian Affairs Field Offices or Office of Trust Responsibility Division of Trust Services Bureau of Indian Affairs 1951 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20245
Authorization	The Act of September 20, 1922, 42 Stat. 857, Public Law 67-315; Act of May 27, 1955, 69 Stat. 66, Public Law 84-46.

CHAPTER V: FLOOD PREVENTION AND PROTECTION

BANK PROTECTION

Purpose of Assistance	To provide bank protection of highways, highway bridges, essential public works, churches, hospitals, schools, and other non-profit public services endangered by flood-caused erosion.
Provided by	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Assistance Available	Specialized services in designing and constructing bank protection projects. Projects selected must be feasible, complete within themselves, and economically justified. (See also "Watershed Protection - Technical Assistance and Grants").
Eligible Applicants	States, political subdivisions of the States, or other responsible local agencies established under State law with full authority and ability to undertake necessary legal and financial responsibilities. Applicants must: (1) be responsible for all project costs in excess of the Federal limit of $250,000; (2) provide lands, easements, rights-of-way and utility relocations; and (3) provide for project maintenance costs after completion.
Application Procedure	Submit a formal letter to the appropriate District Engineer from a prospective sponsoring agency, indicating clear intent to provide all required local participation.
Information Source	District Engineer of the nearest U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District or Director of Civil Works Office of Chief of Engineers Department of the Army Washington, D.C. 20314
Authorization	Section 14 of 1946 Flood Control Act, Public Law 79-526, as amended.

BEACH EROSION CONTROL

Purpose of Assistance	To control beach and shore erosion to public shores through projects not specifically authorized by Congress.
Provided by	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Assistance Available	Specially designed and constructed projects
Eligible Applicants	Any State, political subdivision of a State, or other local agency which has the full legal authority and ability to undertake necessary legal and financial responsibilities. Standard cost sharing procedures shall apply. Applicant must: (1) assume full responsibility for all project costs over the Federal cost limit of $1,000,000; (2) provide all necessary lands, easements and rights-of-way; (3) assure that water pollution will not occur; (4) assure continued public ownership or public use of the beach; (5) provide project maintenance; and (6) provide necessary access roads, parking areas, and other public use facilities open to all on equal terms.
Application Procedure	Formal letter to the District Engineer from a prospective sponsoring agency indicating clear intent to provide all required local participation.
Information Source	District Engineer of the nearest U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District or Director of Civil Works Office of the Chief of Engineers Department of Army Washington, D.C. 20314
Authorization	Section 103 of the 1962 River and Harbor Act, as amended, Public Law 87-874.

FLOOD CONTROL PROJECTS

Purpose of Assistance	To reduce flood damage through projects not specifically authorized by Congress.
Provided by	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Assistance Available	Specialized services in designing and constructing flood control projects. (See also "Watershed Protection - Technical Assistance and Grants").
Eligible Applicants	States, their political subdivisions, or other responsible local agencies established under State law with full authority and ability to undertake necessary legal and financial responsibilities. Applicant is responsible for: (1) all lands, easements, and rights-of-way; (2) all project costs in excess of the Federal cost limitations; (3) prevention of future encroachment that might interfere with proper functioning of the project; and (4) maintenance after completion.
Application Procedure	Submit a formal letter to the appropriate District Engineer indicating clear intent to provide all required local participation.
Information Source	District Engineer of the nearest U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District or Director of Civil Works Office of the Chief of Engineers Department of the Army Washington, D.C. 20314
Authorization	Section 205, 1948 Flood Control Act, Public Law 80-858 as amended.

FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance	To promote wise practices in the Nation's flood, mudslide, and flood-related erosion prone areas and to enable persons to purchase insurance against losses from physical damage to or loss of real or personal property caused by these hazards.
Provided by	Federal Insurance Administration, Department of Housing and Urban Development.
Assistance Available	Insurance at a premium rate, subsidized by the Federal Government, that is lower than a normal actuarial rate for buildings and their contents.
Eligible Applicants	Owners of all buildings and/or their contents in communities that are participating in the National Flood Insurance Program.
Application Procedure	Written expression of interest, accompanied by a complete application, part of which includes the adoption of minimal flood plain management measures for the participating community's hazard prone areas.
Information Source	State Coordinating Agency for the program (appointed by the Governor of each State) or HUD Regional Offices Attn: Regional Flood Insurance Specialist or Administrator Federal Insurance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, Title XIII, P.L. 90-448, 82 Stat. 476, 572, as amended; 83 Stat. 39, 83 Stat. 579, P.L. 93-234, 87 Stat. 975.

FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT

Purpose of Assistance	To promote appropriate recognition of flood hazards in land and water use planning and development through the provision of needed information, technical services, and guidance.
Provided by	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
Assistance Available	Provides technical information identifying areas subject to flooding and flood losses from streams, lakes, and oceans, and describing the flood hazard of proposed building sites. Also provides advisory services on appropriate adjustments to prevent flood damage. Services are available within annual funding limitation from District Offices of the Corps of Engineers. (See also "Watershed Protection - Technical Assistance and Grants," "Flood Insurance").
Eligible Applicants	States, political subdivisions of States, other public organizations, and individuals. (Services to individuals are limited to available information).
Application Procedure	Submit a letter to the appropriate District Engineer documenting the need for assistance.
Information Source	District Engineer of the nearest U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District or Director of Civil Works, ATTN: DAEN-CWP-F Office, Chief of Engineers Department of the Army Washington, D.C. 20314
Authorization	Section 206 of the Flood Control Act, 1960, as amended; Public Law 86-645.

FLOOD PREVENTION FOR FOREST LANDS

Purpose of Assistance	To protect life, guard public health, and reduce the hazard of flooding and sediment damages from forest and related lands in instances where existing local, State, and Federal programs do not provide adequate facilities and funds for immediate protective action.
Provided by	Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.
Assistance Available	-- Assistance in preparing request for Section 216 funds for emergency treatment of watersheds impaired by fire, flood, earthquake and other natural disasters. -- Technical assistance in planning and applying measures.
Eligible Applicants	State and local governmental organizations.
Application Procedure	Contact local, regional, or area Forest Service personnel.
Information Source	Regional Forester or Area Director or Deputy Chief State and Private Forestry Forest Service U.S. Department of Agriculture South Building, 12th and Independence Ave., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Flood Control Act of 1950, Section 216.

REPAIR OR RESTORATION OF FLOOD CONTROL WORKS

Purpose of Assistance	To assist in the repair and restoration of flood control works damaged by floods or federally authorized hurricane-flood and shore protection works damaged by extraordinary wind, wave or water action.
Provided by	United States Army Corps of Engineers.
Assistance Available	Specialized services including the emergency repair or rehabilitation of flood control works damaged by flood and the restoration of federally authorized coastal protection structures damaged by extraordinary wind, wave, or water action. Assistance does not include major improvements or betterments to flood control or federally authorized coastal protection structures, or reimbursement of individuals or communities for funds expended in repair or rehabilitation efforts.
Eligible Applicants	Owners of damaged protective works or State and local officials of public entities responsible for their maintenance, repair, and operation.
Application Procedure	Written application by letter or by form request (if used locally) to the District Engineer of the Corps of Engineers.
Information Source	District or Division Engineer for the area in which the flooding occurs or Director of Civil Works Office of the Chief of Engineers Department of the Army Washington, D.C. 20314
Authorization	Public Law 84-99, as amended.

RESOURCE CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Purpose of Assistance	To assist public agencies in initiating and carrying out long-range programs of resource conservation and development, including projects for flood prevention and rehabilitation of disaster damaged agricultural land.
Provided by	Soil Conservation Service, U.S. Deptartment of Agriculture.
Assistance Available	Project grants and technical assistance.
Eligible Applicants	Federal, State, Territorial, or other public agency having legal authority to plan, install, operate, and maintain community-type projects having public benefits.
Application Procedure	Contact local office, Soil Conservation Service.
Information Source	State and local offices of the Soil Conservation Service or Administrator Soil Conservation Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Food and Agriculture Act of 1962, Public Law 87-703, 76 Stat. 607; Public Law 91-343; Public Law 74-46; Public Law 92-419.

SNAGGING AND CLEARING FOR FLOOD CONTROL

Purpose of Assistance	To lessen the effect of floods through flood control projects.
Provided by	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.
Assistance Available	Specialized services for designing and constructing snagging and clearing projects to reduce potential flood damage.
Eligible Applicants	States, their political subdivisions, or other responsible local agencies established under State law with the full authority and ability to undertake the necessary legal and financial responsibilities. Applicant must: (1) provide all lands, easements, and rights-of-way; (2) provide all project costs in excess of the Federal limit of $250,000; (3) agree to maintain project after completion; and (4) prevent interference with the project's proper functioning.
Application Procedure	Submit a formal letter to the appropriate District Engineer indicating clear intent to provide all required local participation.
Information Source	District Engineer of nearest U.S. Army Corps of Engineers District or Director of Civil Works Office of the Chief of Engineers Department of the Army Washington, D.C. 20314
Authorization	Sec. 2 of the 1937 Flood Control Act, as amended; Public Law 79-14.

WATERSHED PROTECTION AND FLOOD PREVENTION LOANS

Purpose of Assistance	To provide loan assistance for planning and carrying out works of improvement to protect, develop, and utilize the land and water resources in small watersheds.
Provided by	Farmers Home Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture.
Assistance Available	Guaranteed/insured loans for structures and special land treatment measures which are primarily for flood prevention use.
Eligible Applicants	Applicants must: (1) be a sponsoring local organization such as a municipal corporation, soil and water conservation district, or other organization not operated for profit and (2) have authority under State law to obtain, give security for, and raise revenues to repay the loan and to operate and maintain the facilities financed with the loan.
Application Procedure	After review of project proposals by State, metropolitan, and local units of government, application is made at county FmHA Office.
Information Source	County Farmers Home Administration Office or Administrator Farmers Home Administration U.S. Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act of 1954, as amended, Sec. 8 (P.L. 83-566).

WATERSHED PROTECTION - TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND GRANTS

Purpose of Assistance	To provide technical and financial assistance to planning and carrying out works of improvement to protect, develop, and utilize the land and water resources in small watersheds.
Provided by	Soil Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture
Assistance Available	Project grants and advisory services used in planning, designing, and installing watershed works of improvement and in sharing costs of flood prevention, irrigation, drainage, and sedimentation control.
Eligible Applicants	Any State agency, county or groups of counties, municipality, town or township, soil and water conservation district, flood prevention and flood control district, or any other nonprofit agency with authority under State law to carry out, maintain, and operate watershed works of improvement.
Application Procedure	Application is made through the Soil Conservation Service, USDA
Information Source	Regional Office of the Soil Conservation Service or Administrator Soil Conservation Service U.S. Dept. of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act; P.L. 83-566, 68 Stat. 666; P.L. 84-1018, 70 Stat. 1088; P.L. 85-624, 72 Stat. 563; P.L. 85-865, 72 Stat. 1605; P.L. 86-468, 74 Stat. 131, 132; P.L. 86-545, 74 Stat. 254; P.L. 87-170, 75 Stat. 408; P.L. 87-703, 76 Stat. 608; P.L. 89-337, 79 Stat. 1300; P.L. 90-361, 82 Stat. 250; P.L. 81-516, 64 Stat. 184 (Section 216).

CHAPTER VI: HEALTH SERVICES

CONTAMINATED FOOD AND DRUGS

Purpose of Assistance	To establish public health controls and to protect the general public from contaminated and unsafe food and drugs.
Provided by	Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health, Education and Welfare either following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or under regular program authorities.
Assistance Available	Advice, technical information, expert personnel, and support facilities.
Eligible Applicants	State and local health authorities
Application Procedure	Contact the Department of Health, Education and Welfare or Food and Drug Administration Regional office.
Information Source	Food and Drug Administration Regional or District Offices or Department of Health, Education and Welfare Regional Offices
Authorization	Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, Section 201(h); Public Health Service Act, as amended.

CRISIS COUNSELING ASSISTANCE

Purpose of Assistance	To provide professional counseling services to victims of major disasters in order to relieve mental health problems caused or aggravated by such major disaster or its aftermath.
Provided by	National Institute of Mental Health (funded by FDAA) following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Provisions of counseling services, which may include training of disaster workers.
Eligible Applicants	Any disaster victim located in the designated area.
Application Procedure	Application is made by an affected State to the Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	Regional Offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, 88 Stat. 143, Section 413; Executive Order 11795.

HEALTH, MEDICAL, AND SANITATION

Purpose of Assistance	To provide health, medical, and sanitation services following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or an emergency.
Provided by	Appropriate Federal agencies as requested by the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Assistance Available	-- Trained specialists to plan and supervise health education programs to include basic sanitation, personal health, and field sanitation team training. -- Early care to the injured or sick. -- Hospitalization for personnel when temporary hospital facilities are required. -- Mass immunizations. -- Personnel and equipment to prepare necessary graves registration records and to supervise and establish temporary cemetaries. -- Aircraft for aerial spraying operations to control pestilence during disaster relief operations. -- Specialists to assist and advise local governments in establishing programs for the control, treatment, and prevention of existing diseases; in providing measures for environmental protection of food and water supplies; and in supervising the maintenance of public health facilities and records.
Eligible Applicants	Responsible local and State agencies.
Information Source	Requests should be made through the Governor's Authorized Representative to the Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration. Regional Offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (see Appendix for addresses) or

Federal Disaster Assistance Administration
Department of Housing and Urban Development
Washington, D.C. 20410

Authorization — Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, 88 Stat. 143, Sec. 305, 306; Executive Order 11795.

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES

Purpose of Assistance	To provide a full range of regular and emergency health services to American Indians and Alaska Natives.
Provided by	Department of Health, Education, and Welfare
Assistance Available	Inpatient and outpatient medical care provided through a system of hospitals and health centers. Provision of sanitation facilities.
Eligible Applicants	Indians who live on or near a reservation and are recognized as members of a tribe with whom the Federal Government has a special relationship.
Application Procedure	Direct health services are provided through Federal facilities or under contract with community facilities and private physicians and dentists.
Information Source	Local Indian Health Service Offices or Director Indian Health Services 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, Maryland 20852
Authorization	Act transferring responsibility for health services to Indians from Bureau of Indian Affairs to Public Health Service, Public Law 83-568. Act authorizing the provision of sanitation facilities, Public Law 86-121.

RADIOLOGICAL EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Purpose of Assistance	To respond on an emergency basis with appropriate scientific and medical advice and technical assistance in incidents involving loss of control over radioactive materials, supporting efforts to protect public health and property.
Provided by	Energy Research and Development Administration.
Assistance Available	-- Provision of specialized services, advisory services, and the dissemination of technical information in order to evaluate the hazardous aspects of a situation, counsel officials at the scene, bring hazardous conditions under control, and supplement the radiological emergency capabilities of other government and private organizations involved. -- Help in the development of plans and capabilities for dealing with such emergencies. (Assistance is not available for the purpose of protecting private property or as a substitute for personnel protection that is the responsibility of a specific agency or organization.)
Eligible Applicants	Any person or organization having knowledge of an incident believed to involve ionizing radiation or radioactive material hazardous to health and safety.
Application Procedure	Telephone request to the appropriate Regional Coordinating Office of the Energy Research and Development Administration for radiological emergency assistance; request by letter for other assistance on general policy or of a programmatic nature.
Information Source	Regional Office of the Energy Research and Development Administration or Emergency Preparedness Branch Division of Operational Safety Energy Research and Development Administration Washington, D.C. 20545

Authorization	Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, Public Law 83-703, 68 Stat. 919, 42 USC 2011 et. seq.

VECTOR CONTROL

Purpose of Assistance	To prevent the spread of communicable diseases by rats, flies, mosquitoes, and other disease-carrying animals or insects in the aftermath of a major disaster.
Provided by	Public Health Service, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, either following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or under regular program authorities in a smaller disaster.
Assistance Available	-- Advice and technical assistance in determining the most effective pesticides and methods of baiting and spraying. -- Assistance in determining requirements for mass immunization centers and personnel to assist in center operations. -- Assistance in obtaining chemicals and aircraft for vector control and vaccines for immunization. -- Vector control grants.
Eligible Applicants	Any State or locality.
Application Procedure	Contact Federal Disaster Assistance Administration. Certification of need must be established by the Public Health Service.
Information Source	Regional Office of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare or Regional Office of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing & Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, 88 Stat. 143; Executive Order 11795.

CHAPTER VII: HOUSING

ADJUSTMENTS TO FEDERAL LOANS -

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Purpose of Assistance	To allow adjustments on loan requirements which will assist the victim of a major disaster.
Provided by	The Department of Housing and Urban Development following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development is authorized to refinance any note or other obligation which is held by him in connection with any loan made by HUD or its predecessor where refinancing is necessary because of damage or destruction of private property caused by a major disaster.
Eligible Applicants	Holders of loans described above.
Application Procedure	Contact the Department of Housing and Urban Development
Information Source	Department of Housing and Urban Development 451 - 7th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1970, Public Law 91-606, as amended, 84 Stat. 1744, Section 236; Executive Order 11749.

ADJUSTMENTS TO FEDERAL LOANS - VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

Purpose of Assistance	To provide assistance whenever a residential property which secures a loan guaranteed, insured, made, or acquired by the Veterans Administration is damaged or destroyed by a major disaster.
Provided by	Veterans Administration with a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	-- Counseling and other service to the owners of the property. -- Forbearance or indulgence on an individual case basis to owners as the Administration determines to be warranted by the facts of the case.
Eligible Applicants	Property owners holding VA loans suffering damage in a major disaster area as declared by the President.
Application Procedure	Contact the Veterans Administration.
Information Source	Local Veterans Administration offices or Veterans Administration 2033 M Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20420
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1970, Public Law 91-606, as amended, Section 233; Executive Order 11749.

HOME REPAIR LOANS

Purpose of Assistance	To provide loan assistance for the refinancing repair, rehabilitation, or replacement of property damaged as a result of a natural disaster.
Provided by	The Small Business Administration, either with a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or a declaration by the Administrator of SBA.
Assistance Available	Guarantee immediate participation or direct loans to repair or replace damaged or destroyed household and other personal property not covered by insurance, or in some instances to refinance any mortgage or other lien on destroyed or damaged real property if it is to be repaired or replaced.
Eligible Applicants	Individuals who have suffered physical property loss in an area designated as eligible for disaster assistance. Loans under this program are not available to those engaged in agriculture. (For loans to farmers and ranchers, see Agriculture - Emergency Loans).
Application Procedure	Application is filed with the nearest available regular SBA Office or special disaster office.
Information Source	Local or Regional Office of Small Business Administration or Office of Disaster Operations Small Business Administration 1441 L Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20416
Authorization	Small Business Act, as amended, Section 7 (b)(1), Public Law 85-536, as amended; Disaster Relief Act of 1970, Public Law 91-606, as amended, Sections 231, 234, and 235; Public Law 93-24.

INSURED HOME LOANS

Purpose of Assistance	To help victims of a major disaster undertake home ownership on a sound basis.
Provided by	Department of Housing and Urban Development following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Insured loans which may be used to finance the purchase of proposed, under construction, or existing single family housing for the occupant-mortgagee who is a victim of a major disaster. HUD insures the lenders against loss on mortgage loans.
Eligible Applicants	Disaster victim families who establish that the home they occupy as owner-tenant is destroyed/damaged to extent that reconstruction is required as a result of a catastrophe declared a major disaster.
Application Procedure	Application is submitted for review and approval to a HUD Insuring or Area Office through a Federal Housing Administration approved mortgagee.
Information Source	Department of Housing and Urban Development Insuring or Area Office or Director Office of Underwriting Standards Housing Production and Mortgage Credit/FHA Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	National Housing Act, Section 203(h); Public Law 73-479.

MOBILE HOME FINANCING

Purpose of Assistance	To make available reasonable financing of mobile home purchases to house disaster victims.
Provided by	Department of Housing and Urban Development following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or under regular program authorities.
Assistance Available	Guaranteed or insured loans to persons intending to use the mobile home as their principal place of residence.
Eligible Applicants	Any family displaced by the disaster.
Application Procedure	Submit application to a Federal Housing Administration approved lender for review and approval.
Information Source	Department of Housing and Urban Development Area or Insuring office or Director, Property Improvement and Mobile Homes Division Housing Production and Mortgage Credit/FHA Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	National Housing Act, as amended, Title I, Section 2.

PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS

Purpose of Assistance	To facilitate the financing of improvements to homes and other existing structures.
Provided by	Department of Housing and Urban Development following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or under regular program authorities.
Assistance Available	Guaranteed/insured loans used to finance alterations, repairs, and improvements for existing structures which substantially protect or improve their basic livability or utility. HUD insures lenders against losses on loans.
Eligible Applicants	Any owner of described property or lessee having a lease extending at least six months beyond the maturity of the loan.
Application Procedure	The borrower applies directly to an insured lender.
Information Source	Department of Housing and Urban Development Area or Insuring Office or Director, Office of Underwriting Standards Housing Production and Mortgage Credit/FHA Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	National Housing Act, as amended, Title I, Section 2; Public Laws 73-479, 84-1020, and 90-448.

RENTAL HOUSING

Purpose of Assistance	To provide good quality rental or cooperative housing within the price range of low- and moderate-income families. Also applicable to urban renewal areas.
Provided by	Department of Housing and Urban Development following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or under regular program authority.
Assistance Available	Guaranteed/insured loans. HUD insures lenders against losses on mortgages. In an urban area receiving rehabilitation assistance as the result of a natural disaster, insured mortgages may be used to finance proposed construction or rehabilitation of detached, semi-detached, row, walk-up, or elevator-type rental housing or to finance the purchase of properties which have been rehabilitated by a local public agency. May also include loans for the repair of housing in disaster areas.
Eligible Applicants	For low- and moderate-income families, eligible sponsors include public, nonprofit, cooperative, builder-seller, investor-sponsor and limited distribution mortgagors. In urban renewal areas, eligible mortgagors include investors, builders, developers, public bodies, and others who meet Federal Housing Administration requirements for mortgagors.
Application Procedure	Submit formal application through a Federal Housing Administration approved mortgagee to the HUD Insuring or Area Office.
Information Source	Department of Housing and Urban Development Area or Insuring office or Director, Office of Underwriting Standards Housing Production and Mortgage Credit/FHA Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	National Housing Act as amended in 1954, Sections 220 and 221, Public Law 560.

RURAL HOUSING DISASTER LOANS

Purpose of Assistance	To assist farm owners and other homeowners in rural areas to repair or replace dwellings and related facilities damaged or destroyed by a natural disaster.
Provided by	Farmers Home Administration of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.
Assistance Available	Loans are made to eligible farm and nonfarm families who own and personally occupy the dwelling as their permanent residence. Farm owners may also receive loans to repair or replace damaged or destroyed dwellings owned by them and occupied by their farm manager, tenant, sharecropper or farm laborer.
Eligible Applicants	Families who experience a loss from a natural disaster which was not of sufficient magnitude to warrant a major disaster designated by the President or a natural disaster designation by the Administrator of the Small Business Administration or the Secretary of Agriculture. Loans are intended to assist families who may not qualify for other Federal loan assistance and are unable to obtain credit from other sources.
Application Procedure	Applications are filed at the local Farmers Home Administration Office.
Information Source	State Office, Farmers Home Administration, or Administrator, Farmers Home Administration, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Title V of the Housing Act of 1949.

TEMPORARY HOUSING

Purpose of Assistance	To provide temporary housing for individuals and families displaced as a result of a disaster.
Provided by	Department of Housing and Urban Development following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or an emergency.
Assistance Available	Temporary housing in the form of government, private and commercial resources or minimal repair to owner-occupied damaged structures is provided. During the first 12 months of occupancy, no rentals shall be established.
Eligible Applicants	Individuals and families displaced from their homes by a disaster.
Application Procedure	Application is made through Regional offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	Regional Offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	The Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, 88 Stat. 143, Section 404; Executive Order 11795.

CHAPTER VIII: INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY ASSISTANCE

EMERGENCY FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

Purpose of Assistance	To insure that adequate amounts of nutritious food are available for disaster victims.
Provided by	U.S.Department of Agriculture (Food and Nutrition Service), following national level approval by the Assistant Secretary for Marketing and Consumer Services.
Assistance Available	Free food stamps.
Eligible Applicants	Eligible victims of natural disasters.
Application Procedure	Contact local welfare office.
Information Source	Food and Nutrition Service U.S. Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250 or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, Section 409; Executive Order 11795; Food Stamp Act of 1964, as amended.

(NOTE: Regular food stamp program may also be adapted for use in disasters with special "hardship provisions" for determining eligibility. Food stamps provided under the regular program may not always be free).

INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY GRANTS

Purpose of Assistance	To provide grants to meet disaster-related necessary expenses or serious needs of individuals or families adversely affected by a major disaster.
Provided by	The State following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster and a request by the Governor to the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration that the grant program be implemented. (The program is funded by a 75/25 Federal/State cost sharing).
Assistance Available	Grants up to $5000 per individual or family.
Eligible Applicants	Individuals or families with disaster-related necessary expenses or serious needs which cannot be met through assistance under other provisions of the Disaster Relief Act of 1974 or from other means.
Application Procedure	Application is made to the State Agency designated by the Governor to administer the grant program. Applications are to be filed in the Disaster Assistance Centers, and after their closing, in State offices for a 60-day period after the disaster declaration.
Information Source	State Disaster Office or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, 88 Stat. 143, Section 408; Executive Order 11795.

LEGAL SERVICES

Purpose of Assistance	To provide assistance to low-income individuals who require legal services as a result of a major disaster.
Provided by	Appropriate Federal Agencies, State and local bar associations and the Young Lawyers Section of the American Bar Association following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Legal services.
Eligible Applicants	Low-income individuals affected by a major disaster who require legal services.
Application Procedure	Contact the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	Regional offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, 88 Stat. 143, Section 412; Executive Order 11795.

TAX INFORMATION

Purpose of Assistance	To ensure that taxpayers, suffering losses as a result of a major disaster or emergency, receive the most current information regarding casualty loss claims, amended tax returns, and late filing of tax returns.
Provided by	Internal Revenue Service
Assistance Available	Advisory services, counseling, and guidance on tax matters, including assistance in the preparation of returns.
Eligible Applicants	Any taxpayer who suffered a loss as a result of the major disaster or emergency.
Application Procedure	Telephone, write or visit any IRS office.
Information Source	Nearest Internal Revenue Service Office or Director, Training Division Internal Revenue Service Washington, D.C.
Authorization	Internal Revenue Code as amended.

UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

Purpose of Assistance	To provide financial assistance to persons unemployed as a result of a major disaster.
Provided by	Department of Labor following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Job placement and disaster unemployment assistance administered through a State Employment Agency by the U.S. Department of Labor. The compensation received will not exceed the maximum amount of payment under the unemployment compensation program of the State in which the disaster occurred. Assistance may be provided until an individual is reemployed, but no longer than one year after the major disaster is declared
Eligible Applicants	Individual unemployed as a result of a major disaster declared by the President.
Application Procedure	Application is made to the State unemployment insurance office.
Information Source	State Employment Agency or Department of Labor Washington, D.C. 20210
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, Section 407; Executive Order 11795.

CHAPTER IX: PREPAREDNESS AND PLANNING

BUILDING-DAMAGE RESEARCH

Purpose of Assistance	To assess the damage done to buildings in a disaster area in order to minimize further damage or destruction, and to obtain post-disaster information for analysis to improve criteria which can be incorporated in building codes, design and construction procedures, and use of materials.
Provided by	Department of Commerce
Assistance Available	-- On-the-spot team of analysts, scientists, engineers, materials technologists, economists, and social scientists -- Consultation and advice (post-disaster and predisaster planning) -- Distribution of technical information and reports containing analysis and recommendations -- Immediate advice provided to victims by radio, newspaper, bulletins, etc., where feasible.
Eligible Applicants	Elected or appointed official of any Federal, State, or municipal agency concerned with a disaster and authorized to request assistance.
Application Procedure	Contact the Department of Commerce.
Information Source	Department of Commerce Field Offices or Disaster Research Coordinator Center for Building Technology National Bureau of Standards Washington, D.C. 20234
Authorization	National Bureau of Standards Organic Act, as amended; Public Law 56-177.

CIVIL DEFENSE EQUIPMENT

Purpose of Assistance	To increase the civil defense readiness of State and local governments by furnishing matching funds for the procurement of emergency equipment. Such equipment may be used in the event of natural disasters.
Provided by	Defense Civil Preparedness Agency
Assistance Available	Project grants to purchase emergency communications and warning equipment and other civil defense items.
Eligible Applicants	State and local civil defense organizations.
Application Procedure	The standard application form provided by DCPA must be submitted to DCPA through the State civil defense agency.
Information Source	State Civil Defense Director or Regional Offices of the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency or Assistant Director for Plans and Operations Defense Civil Preparedness Agency Washington, D.C. 20301
Authorization	Section 201(i), Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended, P.L. 81-920.

CIVIL DEFENSE PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Purpose of Assistance	To assist in the development of effective civil defense organizations in the States and their political subdivisions capable of coordinating emergency activities in the event of disaster.
Provided by	Defense Civil Preparedness Agency
Assistance Available	Formula grants based on 50 percent Federal funds and 50 percent State or local funds for the payment of salaries of State and local civil defense employees, along with their administrative expenses, and travel.
Eligible Applicants	State and local civil defense organizations.
Application Procedure	Project application must be submitted to the State civil defense agency which then forwards it to the DCPA Regional office for final approval.
Information Source	Local and State civil defense directors or Regional offices of the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency or Assistant Director, Plans and Operations Financial and Material Division Defense Civil Preparedness Agency Washington, D.C. 20301
Authorization	Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended, Sec. 205, Public Law 81-920 as amended by Public Law 85-606.

COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING ASSISTANCE

Purpose of Assistance	To strengthen planning and decision-making capabilities of chief executives of State, area-wide, and local agencies and to thereby promote more effective use of the Nation's physical, economic and human resources. It can be used for disaster mitigation and recovery purposes.
Provided by	Department of Housing and Urban Development
Assistance Available	Project grants
Eligible Applicants	State agencies designated by the Governor; area-wide planning agencies, including councils of governments; counties; cities; local development districts; economic development districts; Indian tribal bodies; localities which have suffered a major disaster or which are federally impacted.
Information Source	Director Office of Planning & Management Assistance Community Planning & Development Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Housing Act of 1954, Section 701, as amended, Public Law 83-560, 68 Stat. 590, 640.

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS TRAINING AND EDUCATION

Purpose of Assistance	To conduct or arrange for training programs for the instruction of civil defense officials and other persons in the organization, operation, and techniques of civil defense and disaster preparedness.
Provided by	Defense Civil Preparedness Agency
Assistance Available	Information, training programs, grants: -- Regional training and education officers to provide guidance and assistance to State and local civil defense directors and training personnel. -- Staff College at Battle Creek, Michigan, to provide civil defense orientation and training. -- State civil defense instructional contracts provide training through State universities, land grant colleges or State Civil Defense Offices. -- Use of state and local education resources to inform school pupils of preparedness and survival information.
Eligible Applicants	Federal, State, and local government officials and community leaders with assigned civil defense or disaster relief responsibilities.
Application Procedure	Contact State or local civil defense office.
Information Source	Local and State Civil Defense offices or DCPA Staff College - Federal Center Battle Creek, Michigan 49016
Authorization	The Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended, Section 201, Public Law 81-920.

EARTHQUAKE HAZARD REDUCTION

Purpose of Assistance	To provide geologic and seismologic maps and reports for the identification of earthquake prone areas and the hazards within them.
Provided by	Geological Survey, Department of the Interior
Assistance Available	Technical information related to earthquake occurrence and hazard reduction.
Eligible Applicants	Any State, political subdivision of a State, or other State instrumentality.
Application Procedure	A letter describing the problem to the Director, the Chief Geologist, or to the designated officer for the State.
Information Source	Director Geological Survey Department of the Interior Washington, D.C. 20242
Authorization	Act of March 3, 1879, 43 U.S.C. 31, 48, 49.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEMS

Purpose of Assistance	To provide assistance for planning, establishing, expanding, and improving emergency medical services systems.
Provided by	Department of Health, Education and Welfare
Assistance Available	Grants for planning, establishing, expanding, and improving emergency medical service systems, and technical assistance in the preparation of grant applications and the development of these systems. (Grants are not available to prevent or reduce the impact of a pending disaster, nor are they available for postdisaster assistance.)
Eligible Applicants	Any State, unit of general local government, public entity administering a compact or other regional arrangements or consortium, or any other public entity and any private nonprofit entity.
Application Procedure	Contact the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Regional Health Administrator.
Information Source	Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Regional Offices or Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Washington, D.C. 20201
Authorization	Emergency Medical Services Act of 1973, Public Law 93-154.

EMERGENCY OPERATING CENTERS

Purpose of Assistance	To develop effective civil defense facilities in the States and their political subdivisions in order to coordinate emergency activities in the event of disaster.
Provided by	Defense Civil Preparedness Agency
Assistance Available	Project grants to provide protected facilities with communications, emergency power, and adequate space and equipment for effective direction and control during a national emergency or disaster situation.
Eligible Applicants	State or local civil defense organizations
Application Procedure	Application is submitted to the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency through the State civil defense agency.
Information Source	Regional Offices of the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency or Assistant Director, Plans and Operations Defense Civil Preparedness Agency Washington, D.C. 20301
Authorization	Section 201, Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended, Public Law 81-920.

FIRE ACCIDENT ANALYSIS

Purpose of Assistance	To provide aid in assessing the reasons for, character of, and ways of avoiding serious fire accidents.
Provided by	National Bureau of Standards, Department of Commerce
Assistance Available	-- An on-the-spot team of experienced fire investigators, scientists, and engineers who have access to the full analytical capability of the National Bureau of Standards -- A detailed investigation of uncontrolled fires while in an active stage or study of the remains from fires, with the objective of determining the reasons for their occurrence and methods for avoiding their future development.
Eligible Applicants	Elected or appointed Federal, State, or local officials concerned with a fire disaster and authorized to request such assistance.
Application Procedure	Contact the National Bureau of Standards.
Information Source	Department of Commerce Field Offices or Programmatic Center for Fire Research National Bureau of Standards Washington, D.C. 20234
Authorization	National Bureau of Standards Organic Act as amended by Public Law 90-259

FORECASTS AND WARNINGS

Purpose of Assistance	To provide a forecast and warning service for severe weather phenomena, flooding and tsunami, and assistance in community preparedness planning in order to protect life and property.
Provided by	National Weather Service, NOAA
Assistance Available	Public forecasts and warnings of hazardous weather phenomena and floods. Tsunami warnings to government officials. Assistance in planning and organizing community warning dissemination systems, evacuation plans, and training programs on disaster safety rules.
Eligible Applicants	All information available to anyone on request. Special service outlets involve user fee and some are restricted to government offices.
Application Procedure	Verbal or written request for information to nearest NWS office or Headquarters.
Information Source	Director National Weather Service National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration 8060 - 13th Street Silver Spring, Maryland 20910
Authorization	15 USC 313, Reorganization Plan No. 4, 1970; Public Law 93-288.

Purpose of Assistance	To assist the States in planning for and providing hospitals, public health centers, out-patient facilities, emergency rooms, neighborhood health centers, long-term care facilities, rehabilitation facilities and other related health facilities. May also be used for repair or replacement of health facilities damaged or destroyed by a natural disaster.
Provided by	Division of Facilities Development (Hill-Burton), Department of Health, Education and Welfare.
Assistance Available	Formula grants: Federal share of up to 2/3 for the new construction or replacement of facilities, the expansion or remodeling of existing facilities, and the provision of equipment for health facilities. In poverty areas the Federal share can be up to 100 percent of construction costs. Special provision for remodeling of "store-front" type outpatient units. Project grants: Federal share up to 75 percent (up to 100 percent in poverty areas) for correction or prevention of safety hazards or to comply with required standards in publicly-owned health facilities.
Eligible Applicants	State and local governments, hospital districts or authorities, and private nonprofit organizations (except project grants).
Application Procedure	The State Hill-Burton agency must have submitted a State plan and had it approved by the Facilities Development staff in the HEW Regional Office. The project application is made to the State Hill-Burton agency, which must approve it before it can be forwarded to the Regional Office.
Information Source	State health departments or HEW Regional Office or

Division of Facilities Development
Health Resources Administration
Department of Health, Education and Welfare
5600 Fishers Lane
Rockville, Maryland 20853

Authorization Public Health Service Act, Title XVI, et seq.

STATE DISASTER PREPAREDNESS GRANTS

Purpose of Assistance	To assist States in developing and improving State plans, programs and capabilities for disaster preparedness and prevention.
Provided by	Federal Disaster Assistance Administration
Assistance Available	-- Grants not to exceed in the aggregate $250,000 for the development of a State disaster preparedness program. States must have applied by May 22, 1975. -- Annual grants of up to $25,000 to any State, but not to exceed 50 percent of the cost, for improving State disaster plans in accordance with the State's disaster preparedness program.
Eligible Applicants	The 50 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Canal Zone, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands.
Application Procedure	Application is made to the appropriate FDAA Regional Director and shall include: -- The designated State agency or agencies that will be involved in the effort and the State disaster preparedness coordinator designated by the Governor. -- A State work plan setting forth a comprehensive and detailed program of work to develop an adequate capability for preparation against and assistance following emergencies and major disasters, including provisions for assistance to individuals, businesses, and local governments.
Information Source	Regional Offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	The Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288; Executive Order 11795.

SURPLUS PROPERTY
DEFENSE CIVIL PREPAREDNESS AGENCY

Purpose of Assistance	To assist States and their political subdivisions in attaining and maintaining civil defense operational readiness by donation of Federal surplus property. Such property may be used in preparation for, and during, natural disasters.
Provided by	Defense Civil Preparedness Agency
Assistance Available	The sale, exchange, or donation of property and goods.
Eligible Applicants	State and local civil defense organizations established pursuant to law which have an operational plan and program paper approved by DCPA.
Application Procedure	Requests for donation of surplus personal property are coordinated with the State Civil Defense Director. Applicants should establish and maintain a close working relationship with their State agency for surplus property and should visit the State agency warehouse to select or establish their requirements for property.
Information Source	State Civil Defense Director or Regional Offices of the Defense Civil Preparedness Agency or Assistant Director Plans and Operations Defense Civil Preparedness Agency Washington, D.C. 20301
Authorization	Sec. 203, Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended, Public Law 81-152; Federal Civil Defense Act of 1950, as amended, Public Law 81-920.

SURPLUS PROPERTY
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

Purpose of Assistance	To donate all available Federal surplus personal properties to carry out health, educational, and civil defense programs; and to convey all available surplus Federal real properties to carry out health and education programs that are needed and usable by eligible organizations and institutions in the States.
Provided by	Department of Health, Education, and Welfare following Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Surplus property to be used for eligible health or educational purpose. Items may include: folding cots, mattresses, blankets, pillows, generators, gas and water cans, wooden pallets, trucks, trailers, radio equipment, electric motors, cooking and cafeteria equipment, etc.
Eligible Applicants	Personal Property: approved or accredited tax-supported or private non-profit tax-exempt medical institutions, hospitals, clinics, health centers, schools, public school systems, colleges, and universities; schools for the mentally retarded and physically handicapped; licensed educational radio and television stations and public libraries. Real Property: States and their political subdivisions; tax-supported or non-profit tax-exempt educational and medical institutions, hospitals, or similar institutions.
Application Procedure	For surplus personal property, contact the State agency or State surplus property office. For Federal surplus real properties, contact the nearest HEW Regional Office.
Information Source	State surplus property office or Regional Offices of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare or

Director
Office of Surplus Property Utilization
Office of the Secretary
Department of Health, Education, and Welfare
Washington, D.C. 20201

Authorization — Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended; Section 203(j) and (k): Public Law 81-152; Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, 88 Stat. 143, Sec. 306; Executive Order 11795.

CHAPTER X: STATE AND COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

ADMINISTRATION AND GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Purpose of Assistance	To provide administrative support and assistance in disaster relief operations.
Provided by	Appropriate Federal Agencies as requested by the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or emergency.
Assistance Available	Specialists to assist local government in coordinating the activities of various departments and in liaison with outside agencies providing emergency support. Personnel as needed to assist in damage assessment, explosive ordinance disposal, emergency demolitions, emergency flood control, preservation of art treasures and cultural objects, public information, civil air patrol, and aerial reconnaissance and photography.
Eligible Applicants	Responsible local and State agencies.
Application Procedure	Requests should be made through the Governor's Authorized Representative to the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	Regional Offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, 88 Stat. 143, Sec. 305, 306; Executive Order 11795.

COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

Purpose of Assistance	To provide resource assistance to States and U.S. territorial possessions for the restoration of commercial fisheries which have failed due to a resource disaster arising from natural or undetermined causes.
Provided by	National Marine Fisheries Service when it determines that a resource disaster has occurred.
Assistance Available	100 percent Federal funding, in the form of project grants, to restore commercial fishery resources which have been damaged or destroyed by a disaster. Funds cannot be used for law enforcement, public relations, or the construction of facilities and vessels, the primary purpose of which is to commercially harvest, handle, or process fishery products.
Eligible Applicants	Any agency of a State government authorized under its laws to regulate commercial fisheries.
Application Procedure	Submit application to the appropriate Regional Director of the National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce.
Information Source	Regional or Area offices of the National Marine Fisheries Service or Chief, Office of State-Federal Relationships National Marine Fisheries Service Department of Commerce Page Building 2 3330 Whitehaven St., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20235
Authorization	16 USC 779-779 (f).

COMMUNITY DISASTER LOANS

Purpose of Assistance	To provide funds to any local government which has suffered a substantial loss of tax and other revenue as a result of a major disaster, and has demonstrated a need for financial assistance in order to perform its governmental functions.
Provided by	Federal Disaster Assistance Administration, Department of Housing and Urban Development, following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Loan not to exceed 25% of the annual operating budget of that local government for the fiscal year in which the major disaster occurs. Repayment of all or any part of such loan to the extent that revenues of the local government during the three full fiscal year period following the major disaster are insufficient to meet the operating budget of the local government, including additional disaster-related expenses of a municipal operation character shall be cancelled.
Eligible Applicants	Any local government which has demonstrated a need for financial assistance as a result of a major disaster.
Application Procedure	Application should be submitted through the Governor's authorized representative to the Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	State Coordinating Officer or Regional Offices of Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, Sec. 414; Executive Order 11795.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES LOANS

Purpose of Assistance	To construct, enlarge, extend, or otherwise improve community facilities providing essential service, such as water, sewer and solid waste disposal systems, health and medical facilities, fire stations or other community buildings and facilities, in rural areas and cities up to 10,000 in population.
Provided by	The Farmers Home Administration of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.
Assistance Available	Long-term low interest loans.
Eligible Applicants	Public bodies, nonprofit corporations, and Federally-recognized Indian tribes, which are unable to finance the proposed project from their own resources or through commercial credit at reasonable rates and terms.
Application Procedure	Request for assistance may be made at the local Farmers Home Administration County Office.
Information Source	County or State Farmers Home Administration Office or Farmers Home Administration Department of Agriculture Washington, D.C. 20250
Authorization	Rural Development Act of 1972, Sec. 306, Public Law 92-419; 7 U.S.C. 1926.

CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS - SURVEY AND ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES

Purpose of Assistance	To provide for a survey of construction materials needed in an area affected by a major disaster and to assure the availability and fair distribution of needed materials.
Provided by	The Federal Disaster Assistance Administration following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	A survey of construction materials needed in the disaster area on an emergency basis for housing repair, replacement housing, public facilities repairs and replacement, and normal farm and business operations and appropriate action to assure availability and the fair distribution of these materials. Such action may include voluntary allocation of the materials for a period of not more than 180 days after the major disaster.
Eligible Applicants	Any affected State.
Application Procedure	The Governor of an affected State requests assistance from the Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	State Coordinating Officer or Regional Offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	The Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, Section 318; Executive Order 11795.

DISASTER INSURANCE - TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Purpose of Assistance	To require that permanent restorative work on certain public and private nonprofit facilities is protected against future disaster loss through indemnification, including self-insurance.
Provided by	Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (insurance is provided by commercial and self-insurers)
Assistance Available	Review and limited technical assistance to assure that adequate and necessary insurance coverage is in force.
Eligible Applicants	State or local governments under Sections 402 and 419 of PL 93-288.
Application Procedure	Requests for technical assistance should be submitted through the Governor's Authorized Representative to the Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	Regional Offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, Section 314; Executive Order 11795.

EMERGENCY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Purpose of Assistance	To assist communities having emergency community development needs which are essential for the immediate restoration or maintenance of community health, safety, or economic stability.
Provided by	The Department of Housing and Urban Development at the discretion of the Secretary following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or emergency, or a determination by another Federal agency that emergency or disaster assistance is required.
Assistance Available	Grants, subject to the limits of available funds. Funding is based on the following criteria: (1) The severity and magnitude of the disaster with priority given to needs caused by Presidentially declared major disasters; and (2) Resources are not available from other sources to meet these needs in a timely fashion.
Eligible Applicants	States and units of local governments in Federally recognized disaster areas.
Application Procedure	Submit applications to a HUD area office within 120 days after a disaster determination.
Information Source	HUD Area or Regional Offices or Office of Assistant Secretary for Community Development Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, P.L. 93-383.

FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAY REPAIR

Purpose of Assistance	To provide aid for the relief of States and their subdivisions having Federal-aid highways, roads and trails damaged as the result of floods, hurricanes, tidal waves, earthquakes,severe storms, landslides, or other catastrophies.
Provided by	The Federal Highway Administration following a declaration of emergency by the Governor of a State.
Assistance Available	Project grants which may be used for the repair or reconstruction of Federal-aid highways, roads, and trails which have suffered serious damage as the result of a natural disaster over a wide area or catastrophic failures from any cause.
Eligible Applicants	State highway agencies.
Application Procedure	Submit an application of desired projects to the State-level office of the Federal Highway Administration.
Information Source	Regional or State Offices of the Federal Highway Administration or Administrator Federal Highway Administration Washington, D.C. 20590
Authorization	Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1968, Public Law 90-495; Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1970, Public Law 91-605; Public Law 92-361, as amended by Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1966, Public Law 89-574. (Title 23 USC, Sec. 125)

MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE STRUCTURES - TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Purpose of Assistance	To assure that repair or reconstruction under PL 93-288 is in accordance with applicable standards of safety, decency, and sanitation and to prescribe or approve standards for mitigating natural hazards in areas for which PL 93-288 financial assistance is extended.
Provided by	Federal Disaster Assistance Administration
Assistance Available	Review and technical assistance, regarding codes, specifications and standards applicable to repair or construction; evaluation of natural hazards in disaster areas and appropriate hazard mitigation action being taken by affected state or local governments.
Eligible Applicants	States and local governments in disaster areas.
Application Procedure	Requests for technical assistance should be submitted through the Governor's Authorized Representative to the Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	Regional Offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See Appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, Section 406; Executive Order 11795.

REPAIR OR RESTORATION OF PUBLIC FACILITIES

Purpose of Assistance	To provide for the repair, restoration, reconstruction, or replacement of public facilities which have been damaged or destroyed by a major disaster.
Provided by	Federal Disaster Assistance Administration, Department of Housing and Urban Development, following Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Federal contributions for repairing, restoring, reconstructing or replacing any public facility belonging to a State or local government. The Federal contribution is made on the basis of the design of the facility as it existed immediately prior to the disaster and in conformity with applicable codes, specifications, and standards. Where eligible public facilities were under construction when damaged or destroyed by a major disaster, the Federal contribution shall not exceed the net costs of restoring such facilities substantially to their predisaster condition. "Public facility" includes: any publicly owned flood control, navigation, irrigation, reclamation, public power, sewage treatment and collection, water supply and distribution, watershed development, or airport facility, any non-Federal-aid street, road or highway, any other public building, structure, or system including those used for educational or recreation purposes, and any park.
Eligible Applicants	State or local governments in areas designated eligible for assistance under the President's declaration of a major disaster.
Application Procedure	Applications should be submitted through the Governor's Authorized Representative to the Regional Director of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	State Coordinating Officer or Regional Offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (see Appendix for addresses) or

	Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, Sections 402, 419; Executive Order 11795.

REPAIR OR RESTORATION OF PRIVATE NON-PROFIT FACILITIES

Purpose of Assistance	To provide Federal financial assistance for private nonprofit educational, utility, emergency, medical, and custodial care facilities, including those for the aged or disabled, and facilities on Indian reservations, which were damaged or destroyed by a major disaster.
Provided by	Federal Disaster Assistance Administration following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Grants, not to exceed 100% of the net cost of repairing, replacing, reconstructing, or restoring a facility on the basis of its design as it was immediately prior to the disaster and in conformity with applicable codes, specifications and standards.
Eligible Applicants	Owners of private nonprofit educational, utility, emergency, medical, and custodial care facilities, including those for the aged or disabled, and facilities on Indian reservations.
Application Procedure	Application is made by a State or local government on behalf of the private organization or entity to the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Information Source	State Coordinating Officer or Regional Offices of the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration (See appendix for addresses) or Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, D.C. 20410
Authorization	Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288, Section 402; Executive Order 11795.

Purpose of Assistance	To provide assistance for the replacement or restoration of urgently needed school facilities in school districts where such replacement or restoration has been made necessary because of a major disaster. Also the construction for the public school district of minimum school facilities, if necessary, when a non-public school has been destroyed and will not be replaced.
Provided by	Office of Education, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Project grants to construct and equip school facilities, including additional facilities for children who attend private schools destroyed by a major disaster but which have not been and will not be rebuilt.
Eligible Applicants	Local educational agencies and certain public education agencies which provide technical vocational, or other special education to children of elementary or secondary school age, where school facilities are damaged as a result of a declared major disaster.
Application Procedure	Applications are submitted to the U.S. Commissioner of Education, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, through the State educational agency. Application forms and instructions may be obtained from the State education agency.
Information Source	Regional Office of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare or Director Division of School Assistance in Federally Affected Areas Office of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20202
Authorization	Federally Impacted Areas; Public Law 81-815.

Purpose of Assistance	To assist in replacing or repairing supplies, equipment or facilities damaged or destroyed by a major disaster.
Provided by	Office of Education, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, following a Presidential declaration of a major disaster.
Assistance Available	Formula grants for maintenance and operation expenditures: -- to maintain the level of education which existed before the disaster when a deficiency occurs due to increased costs and loss of revenue; -- for additional costs to educate children who formerly attended private schools; -- for debris removal and cleanup, minor repairs to buildings and the repair or replacement of equipment and supplies; and -- temporary facilities.
Eligible Applicants	Local educational agencies which provide free public elementary or secondary education.
Application Procedure	Submit application to the U.S. Commissioner of Education, Department of Health, Education and Welfare, through the State educational agency. Obtain application from the State education agency.
Information Source	Regional Office of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare or Director Division of School Assistance in Federally Affected Areas Office of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20202
Authorization	Federally Impacted Areas, Titles I and IV of Public Law 81-874.

CHAPTER XI: VOLUNTEER AGENCIES

AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS

Purpose of Assistance	To mitigate the suffering caused by a disaster regardless of the size of the catastrophe, the number of people involved, or the commitments of any other voluntary or governmental agencies. In the event of a Presidential declaration of a major disaster, the Red Cross cooperates to the fullest extent with the Federal Coordinating Officer appointed by the Administrator, Federal Disaster Assistance Administration.
Provided by	American National Red Cross.
Assistance Available	-- Food, clothing, shelter, first aid, supplementary nursing, hospital care, and blood products distributed to shelters, aid and feeding stations, or to individual families. -- Funds or purchase orders issued to individual families for food, clothing, medical care, health items, essential household furnishings, and needed occupational supplies and equipment, emergency rental for housing, transportation and temporary repairs to homes so that they can be reoccupied. -- Information about Federal aid and other resources available to disaster victims. -- Grant aid for more extensive repairs or rebuilding of a home and the replacement of household goods when there is not a Presidential declaration of a major disaster or the family is not eligible for government benefits.
Eligible Applicants	Disaster victims.
Application Procedure	Contact the local chapter of the American National Red Cross.
Information Source	Local Red Cross Chapter or American National Red Cross Washington, D.C. 20006

ary 5, 1905, as amended; Disaster

Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288;
Executive Order 11795.

MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICE

Purpose of Assistance	To assist individuals and communities in repair and rehabilitation work following a disaster.
Provided by	The Mennonite Disaster Service
Assistance Available	-- General, immediate cleanup and restoration of disaster locations, including, at times, prevention, warning, evacuation, and search and rescue. -- Temporary repairs to damaged homes so that they may be reoccupied. -- The reconstruction and rehabilitation of residences and vital building facilities in an affected community.
Eligible Applicants	Any disaster victim or community which has sustained damage because of a major disaster.
Application Procedure	Contact the nearest office of the Mennonite Disaster Service.
Information Source	The Mennonite Disaster Service 21 South 12th Street Akron, Pennsylvania 17501
Authorization	Not established by Federal Law, but recognized as a disaster relief organization by the Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288.

THE SALVATION ARMY

Purpose of Assistance	To meet the needs of victims of natural and man-made disasters.
Provided by	The Salvation Army
Assistance Available	Spiritual counseling - conforting the bereaved, consoling the injured and distressed Family counseling and casework services Registration and identification of victims; Missing persons services - locating individuals and answering inquiries from concerned relatives and families outside the disaster area Medical assistance Temporary shelter - in Salvation Army institutions or temporary facilities assigned for that purpose Mass feeding - in existing Salvation Army institutions or temporary facilities assigned for that purpose Mobile feeding - hot meals and/or snacks for disaster victims and emergency workers at the scene of the catastrophe Collection of donated goods for victims - according to pre-determined need: food, clothing, furniture, medical supplies, building materials, bedding, utensils, tools, etc. Clothing distribution Food and commodities distribution Furniture distribution Bedding distribution Cleaning supplies distribution Services to emergency workers Referrals - to appropriate government and private agencies for special services Distribution of Bibles Other services as required
Eligible Applicants	Any individual or community which has su: tained damage as the result of a disaste including disaster workers.
Application Procedure	Contact the nearest office of The Salvat Army.
Information Source	The Salvation Army National Public Affairs Office 1001 - 14th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20005

Authorization	The Salvation Army Charter, May 12, 1899; The Disaster Relief Act of 1974, Public Law 93-288.

APPENDIX

LOCATION OF FDAA OFFICES

1. National Office

Department of Housing and
Urban Development
Federal Disaster Assistance
Administration
451 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, D. C. 20410
Tel. (202) 634-7800

2. The location of each FDAA Regional Office and the States it serves are listed below:

Regional Offices	States
Region 1 Federal Disaster Assistance Administration JFK Federal Building Boston, Mass. 02203 Tel. (617) 223-4270	Connecticut Maine Massachusetts New Hampshire Rhode Island Vermont
Region 2 Federal Disaster Assistance Administration 26 Federal Plaza New York, N.Y. 10007 Tel. (212) 264-8980	New Jersey New York Puerto Rico Virgin Islands
Region 3 Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Curtis Building Sixth and Walnut Streets Philadelphia, Pa. 19106 Tel. (215) 597-9416	Delaware District of Columbia Maryland Pennsylvania Virginia West Virginia
Region 4 Federal Disaster Assistance Administration 1375 Peachtree Street, N.E. Atlanta, Ga. 30309 Tel. (404) 526-3641	Alabama Canal Zone Florida Georgia Kentucky Mississippi North Carolina South Carolina Tennessee

Regional Offices	States
Region 5 Federal Disaster Assistance Administration 300 South Wacker Drive Chicago, Ill. 60606 Tel. (312) 353-1500	Illinois Indiana Michigan Minnesota Ohio Wisconsin
Region 6 Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Federal Building 1100 Commerce Street Dallas, Texas 75202 Tel. (214) 749-1411	Arkansas Louisiana New Mexico Oklahoma Texas
Region 7 Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Old Federal Office Building 911 Walnut Street Kansas City, Mo. 64106 Tel. (816) 374-5914	Iowa Kansas Missouri Nebraska
Region 8 Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Lincoln Tower Building 1860 Lincoln Street Denver, Colo. 80203 Tel. (303) 837-2891	Colorado Montana North Dakota South Dakota Utah Wyoming
Region 9 Federal Disaster Assistance Administration 120 Montgomery Street San Francisco, Calif. 94104 Tel. (415) 556-8794	American Samoa Arizona California Guam Hawaii Nevada Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands
Region 10 Federal Disaster Assistance Administration Arcade Building 1319 2nd Avenue Seattle, Wash. 98101 Tel. (206) 442-1310	Alaska Idaho Oregon Washington

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